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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 2, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 1.

On page 2, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 31.

On page 3, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 11.

On page 3, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 31.

On page 4 please delete the paragraph beginning at line 9.

On page 4, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 22.

On page 4, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 30.

On page 5, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 6.

On page 5, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 34.

On page 6, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 10.

On page 6, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 28 with the following:

The invention further relates to a method for manufacturing a storage device according to the present invention, characterized by the features of claim 19.

On page 6, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 31.

On page 7, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 27.

On page 8, please delete the paragraph beginning at line 10.

On page 8, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 30 with the following:

Fig. 1 is a top plan view and side elevation of a storage device in open condition;

Fig. 1A is a side elevation view of the storage device shown in Figure 1;

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On page 8, please replace the paragraph beginning at line 35 with the following:

Fig. 2a is an enlarged sectional view of a storage device taken on the line <u>2A-2A</u> A-A in Fig. 2;

Please replace the Abstract with the following:

A storage device for plate-shaped data carriers, the said storage device being box-shaped and including comprising a first and a second cover part, pivotally connected, wherein a fixing element is means are provided for fixing the data carrier within the storage device, the storage device being injection molded from plastic, in particular polypropylene or the like, and being closable, and an authentication element protective means being integrally injection molded in the storage device during manufacture.